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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02888

**RE: Docket 4983 - 2020 Renewable Energy Growth Program Tariff and Rule Changes
Supplemental Response to PUC 1-7**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of National Grid,¹ I have enclosed the Company's supplemental response to PUC 1-7 in the above-referenced docket

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at 781-907-2121.

Very truly yours,



Raquel J. Webster

Enclosures

cc: Docket 4983 Service List
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¹ The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or Company).

PUC 1-7 - Supplemental

Request:

Can participants in Community Remote Distributed Generation and/or Shared Solar programs participate in budget billing or be enrolled in deferred payment plans? If so, how many do? How are the credits allocated to these accounts?

Response:

Yes, participants in Community Remote Distributed Generation and/or Shared Solar programs can participate in budget billing or be enrolled in deferred payment plans.

The Company is in the process of determining how many customers that are on budget billing or deferred payment plans also participate in Community Remote Distributed Generation and/or Shared Solar programs. The Company will supplement this response with the number of customers that are on budget billing or deferred payment plans and also participate in CRDG or shared solar programs as soon as it confirms this information.

Customers that are participants in CRDG and/or Shared Solar programs who are also participants in the budget billing or deferred payment plans are allocated billing credits in the same way as customers who are not participants in these plans. In all cases, community net metering recipient accounts receive allocated credits as a monetary transfer (bill credit) based on their allocated percentage of the host credits as defined in the submitted Payment Credit Transfer Form submitted by the host. Participants in a Shared Solar facilities receive a kwh transfer allocation, also as outlined in the Payment Credit Transfer Form submitted by the Shared Solar host, and the credits are calculated in the same fashion for all customers, regardless of their participation in a budget billing or deferred payment plan. These credits are applied to monthly budget amount as a credit. The budget amount is reviewed every six months and re-calculated annually based on total bill. These credits are not factored in to calculate monthly budget amounts.

Supplemental Response:

As previously stated, the Company is supplementing the original response with the number of customers that are on budget billing or deferred payment plans and are also participants in the Community Remote Distributed Generation (CRDG) and/or Shared Solar programs. There is currently only one customer participating in CRDG who also has an active budget billing plan.